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TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA PRIORITY

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TAGS: PBOR, PEPR, SOPN, AORG, OAU, ET, IR, SO, US

SUBJECT: OAU PRESS RELEASE ON IRAN AND HORN OF AFRICA

REF: A. ADDIS 318; B. ADDIS ABABA 310; C. STATE 17279  
D. ADDIS ABABA 347

1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES EMBASSY'S EFFORT STIMULATE OAU  
SECRETARIAT STATEMENT ON HORN WHICH USG COULD SUPPORT AS  
DEMONSTRATION OUR EVENHANDEDNESS. UNFORTUNATELY, WHILE  
WE COULD SUPPORT FINAL PARAGRAPH OF OAU PRESS RELEASE  
(REF B) THE REMAINDER OF STATEMENT ATTACKING IRAN RENDERS  
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IT UNUSEABLE. IMMEDIATE ADVERSE EPMG REACTION (REF D)  
TO EVENHANDED PRESS STATEMENT (REF C) AFTER OUR JANUARY 21  
WASHINGTON MEETING WITH EUROPEAN ALLIES ALSO RAISES  
QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW A USG STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR FINAL  
PARAGRAPH OF OAU SECRETARIAT STATEMENT WOULD BE RECEIVED  
BY EPMG - PARTICULARLY AS USG STATEMENT WOULD HAVE TO BE  
DRAFTED SO AS NOT TO BE SEEN AS IGNORING OR SUPPORTING

ATTACK ON SHAH.

2. KENYAN AMBASSADOR SHOULD BE TOLD THAT: USG WILL  
CONTINUE TO ACT, AND APPEAR TO ACT, EVENHANDEDLY WITH RE-  
GARD TO OGADEN; WE APPRECIATE HIS EFFORTS WITH OAU SECRE-  
TARIAT; WE REGRET THAT VITRIOLIC ATTACK ON SHAH MAKES IT

IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO PUBLICLY SUPPORT EVEN LAST PART OF  
OAU SECRETARIAT'S PRESS STATEMENT. VANCE

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